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Commissioner Jane Henney, M.D. Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane, Rm 1471 Rockville MD 20857 Fax 301-443-3100

## Dear Commissioner Henney,

I write to express concern over the excessive use of antibiotics in animal feed to promote growth. This common use has led to a rise in resistant bacterial infections among humans. I fear our researchers cannot develop new antibiotics as quickly as the bacteria can mutate to resistance!

The European Union has banned this use for those antibiotics used in human medicine. Please follow their very wise lead.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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